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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Office Action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on February 26, 2003 be extended for three months, to and including August 26, 2003.

Enclosed is a check for \$930.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). If there are any other charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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